



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION FOR  
WOMEN**

**500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012  
<http://LACCW.lacounty.gov>**

**Monday, April 11, 2016**

**10:00 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR ENTIRE MEETING. (16-2005)

**Attachments:**    [AUDIO](#)

Present:            President Becky A. Shevlin, Vice President Alice S. Petrossian,  
Treasurer Ana Maria Garcia, Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt,  
Commissioner Maria Calix, Commissioner Nancy Cohen Ph.D.,  
Commissioner Dora de la Rosa,, Commissioner Karriann Farrell  
Hinds, Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW, Commissioner  
Lindsay Louie, Commissioner Charlotte Lesser and Commissioner  
Olivia G. Rodriguez

Excused:           Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D.  
and Commissioner Imelda Padilla

Call to Order. (16-1929)

**President Becky A. Shevlin called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.**

**By Concensus Item No. 4 was tabled and will be heard    after Item No. 11.**

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Approval of Minutes for the regular meeting of February 8, 2016. (16-1930)

**On motion of Vice Chairperson Alice S. Petrossian, seconded by Commissioner Maria Calix, this item was approved with the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 10 - President Becky A. Shevlin, Vice President Alice S. Petrossian, Treasurer Ana Maria Garcia, Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Maria Calix, Commissioner Dora de la Rosa,, Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds, Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW, Commissioner Lindsay Louie and Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez

**Abstentions:** 2 - Commissioner Nancy Cohen Ph.D. and Commissioner Charlotte Lesser

**Excused:** 3 - Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D. and Commissioner Imelda Padilla

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2. Discussion and approval to send one representative to attend the National Association of Commissions for Women's 46th Annual Conference and Empowerment Summit to be held July 16-21, 2016 in Honolulu, Hawaii. (16-1931)

**During a brief discussion of the upcoming National Association of Commissions for Women (NACW) conference scheduled to be held in Honolulu, Hawaii, President Shevlin provided an overview of the cost associated with attending the conference.**

**President Shevlin inquired if there were any Commissioners interested in attending the conference.**

**Commissioners Calix and Kappos expressed interest in attending the NACW conference.**

**On motion of Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez, seconded by Treasurer Ana Maria Garcia, unanimously carried, the Commission approved sending two representatives to the NACW 46th Annual Conference and Empowerment Summit to be held July 16-21, 2016 in Honolulu, Hawaii, in a total amount not to exceed \$1,500.**

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3. Discussion and appropriate action regarding the Los Angeles County Commission for Women co-hosting the Association of California Commissions for Women's Conference to be held in June 2016. (16-1932)

**President Shevlin provided an overview of the ACCW and the upcoming conference that is scheduled to be held June 25, 2016. She stated that the ACCW inquired whether the Los Angeles County Commission for Women would be interested in Co-hosting the conference with the ACCW.**

**Commissioner Hinds will look at Loyola Law School, Loyola Marymount University as well as hotels as possible locations for hosting the conference.**

**On motion of President Becky A. Shevlin, seconded by Commissioner Karrienne Farrell Hinds, unanimously carried, the Commission approved co-hosting the June 25, 2016 ACCW conference at a cost not to exceed \$700.**

4. Discussion and consideration for approval of the Santa Clarita Valley Branch of the American Association of University Women's (AAUW) Application for Donation in the amount of \$1,800, to send two girls to the 2016 AAUW CA Tech Trek summer camp. (16-1052)

**The Commission reviewed and discussed the Santa Clarita Valley Branch of the American Association of University Women's application for donation.**

**After discussion, Commissioner Maria Calix made a motion to approve the donation request, seconded by Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez, however, the motion Failed for lack of majority vote:**

**Ayes:** 4 - Treasurer Ana Maria Garcia, Commissioner Maria Calix, Commissioner Karriann Farrell Hinds and Commissioner Olivia G. Rodriguez

**Noes:** 8 - President Becky A. Shevlin, Vice President Alice S. Petrossian, Commissioner Carolyn Aoki-Hyatt, Commissioner Nancy Cohen Ph.D., Commissioner Dora de la Rosa,, Commissioner Barbara Kappos LCSW, Commissioner Lindsay Louie and Commissioner Charlotte Lesser

**Excused:** 3 - Commissioner Reiko Duba, Commissioner Gerda Govine Ed.D. and Commissioner Imelda Padilla

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**II. REPORTS**

5. President's Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1933)

**President Shevlin thanked everyone for their hard work and commitment in making the 2016 WOY Luncheon a success.**

6. Executive Committee Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1934)

**President Shevlin reported that the Executive Committee held a teleconference meeting on March 31, 2016 and discussed the upcoming June 2016 ACCW Conference, the report on the Status of Women and Girls in Los Angeles County as well as recapping the WOY Luncheon held on March 14, 2016. She also introduced CW intern, Olivia Jaffe-Pachuilo.**

**Ms. Jaffe-Pachuilo stated that she is currently attending San Diego State University and will be assisting the CW through the Month of May 2016. She also provided an overview of her educational background and gave an update on her current assignment with the Commission.**

**President Shevlin thanked Ms. Jaffe-Pachuilo for doing a wonderful job assisting the Commission with the CW's Annual Report and compiling the CW Committee's work from the past two years.**

**Staff was directed to forward the internship application to the CW Commissioners.**

7. Women of the Year Luncheon Committee Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1956)

**Commissioner Petrossian thanked the Commission for their contributions that made the event a great success. She also reported that the final count for the WOY event totaled 410 guests which exceeded their goal.**

**Commissioner Petrossian presented the budget to the Commission that displayed a net profit of \$35,644.63. The Commissioners' individually expressed the strengths and the areas of improvement for future events.**

8. Health Committee Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1942)

**Commissioner Lesser reported that the Health Committee met by way of teleconference and discussed focusing on issues relevant to health access and the number of people newly insured. The focus will be on after individuals are insured, how are they finding their medical home; if**

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**not, why not; and what process is in place that will educate them on having the ability to have regular medical care. The committee will continue to research the information and report back to the Commission for review before sending it to the Board of Supervisors.**

**9. Nominating Committee Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1943)**

**President Shevlin reported that the Nominating Committee held a teleconference meeting on March 28, 2016. The Committee reviewed the Declaration of Candidacy and ballot forms. All candidates must submit the completed DC forms by May 9, 2016.**

**10. Policy and Legislation Committee Report for February 8, 2016 and April 11, 2016.**

Update report on the revision of the Los Angeles County Commission for Women's grant request and award processes (Continued from the meetings of 12/14/15, 1/11/16 and 2/8/16)

Discussion regarding promoting and disseminating the Mount Saint Mary's Report on the Status of Women and Girls in Los Angeles County. (16-0789)

**Commissioner Cohen reported that the committee met on April 11, 2016 and will be focusing on creating a process for disseminating reports. She recommended an internal process by meeting individually with the other CW committees. She is also recommending that over the next 6 to 12 weeks Commissioners meet with their Supervisors and brief them the CW, their commitment, their present key findings and to spotlight issues that interest them.**

**Commissioner further reported that the committee discusses that the grant applications are not transparent and evident to the County that they exist and recommends that they discontinue small grants or suspend the grant review pending further discussion at the 2016 CW retreat.**

**11. Public Relations and Social Media Committee Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1938)**

**There was no report presented.**

12. Violence Against Women and Girls Committee Report for April 11, 2016. (16-1937)

**Commissioner Rodriguez reported that the Domestic Violence Council's Breakfast Briefing with BOS Deputies, Crisis Shelters, Domestic Violence and other agencies was held on February 26, 2016. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on February 9, 2016 approved a motioned to include domestic violence prevention in the homeless initiative.**

13. Education Committee Report for April 11, 2016.
- Discussion on the 2016 Resilience Scholarship Program (16-1936)

**Commissioner Garcia reported that the Education Committee's meeting with the CW Scholarship Program partners was held on March 7, 2016. The Committee discussed ideas to increase the number of organizations/ partners participation. Commissioners Govine and Padilla conduct essay writing workshops to assist the students submit comprehensive applications. The scholarship application submittal deadline is Friday, May 13, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in Room B-50, 500 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or postmarked by midnight on Friday, May 13, 2016.**

### **III. DISCUSSION**

14. Discussion and consideration of agenda items, format and logistics for the CW's Annual Retreat meeting scheduled to be held in August 2016. (16-1958)

**The Commissioners discussed and changed ideas to the 2016 CW retreat. President Shevlin stated that items for the retreat can be discussed further at the May 9, 2016 Commission meeting.**

### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

15. Commissioner's announcements on items related to the CW Commission. (16-1944)

**Commissioners made the following announcements:**

**Commissioner Cohen, Ph.D., announced that her book "Breakthrough: The Making of America's First Woman President" was being published. Commissioner Kappos announced that the East Los Angeles Women's Center conducted different focus groups throughout Boyle Heights, focusing on systems of care, strategic planning and developing a trauma informed integrated response to domestic violence. Commissioner Rodriguez announced that will be attending the City of Los Angeles' "Law Enforcement Interactions with Women and Girls" meeting held on March 11, 2016.**

**Commissioner Hinds announced that she was invited to participate in the City of Los Angeles' "Law Enforcement Interactions with Women and Girls" meeting; she also attended Mt. Saint Mary's College presentation on the Status of Women and Girls Report.**

**Commissioner Louie announced that she sits on the Alumni Board of the Harvard Club of Southern California.**

**Matters Not Posted**

- 16.** Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (16-1945)

**There were no matters presented for a future agenda.**

**Public Comment**

- 17.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (16-1946)

**Dr. Genevieve Clavreul addressed the Commission.**

**Adjournment**

- 18.** Adjournment for the meeting of Monday, April 11, 2016. (16-1947)

**There being no further business, President Shevlin adjourned the meeting of April 11, 2016 at 12:06 p.m.**